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Board of Regents Searching for New President

Butler Named Interim President

Kenna Brigham
Flyer Staff Writer

In order for an administration to run smoothly it must have qualified personnel to manage it. As a result of the retirement of SSU President Thomas Bellavance, a void must be filled in the university's administration. Chancellor of the University of Maryland System Donald N. Langenberg named SSU Provost K. Nelson Butler to the position of Interim President. He will hold the position until a permanent replacement is found.

Butler began his career at Salisbury State College in 1974. He was the chair of the Department of Physical Education and Athletics for ten years before he was appointed the dean of the School of Professional Studies.

Bellavance then named Butler to the position of interim vice president of academic affairs when the office was left unoccupied. Butler stayed in the position for two years before he was named the permanent replacement after a national search was completed. He most recently was named Provost of the university two years ago.

Butler, a native Floridian, was born and raised in a little town called Avon Park. Butler recounted, "It's located right in the south central part of the state. There wasn't much there but orange groves and beautiful freshwater lakes."

He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Tampa. He immediately enrolled in Appalachian State University

in North Carolina. After receiving his master's degree in teaching, Butler returned to the University of Tampa to teach for three years. He then went to the University of Tennessee to work on his doctorate. He returned to Florida once again to teach at the University of South Florida. Butler also did post

"He's known around the state of Maryland as an excellent thinker and problem solver. He is the type of person who gets things done." Pritchard has a respect for Butler's ability to meet the needs of the university and to encourage it on its path to excellence.

Butler's views of the direction SSU should take has at times has brought him into conflict with faculty and other administration. Joseph Gilbert, executive vice president stated, "He's seen the growth in terms of quality of the institution and student body. I think he feels that the institution is a part of him as well."

Butler admits that he can't replace Bellavance. "Each individual brings a certain character to the job of president. Dr. Bellavance's achievement at this institution has been unparalleled."

Butler wants to maintain the momentum that has been developed by Bellavance. He stated, "I'm going to do the very best that I can. I'm willing to take on the challenge. I'll bring to the job as much enthusiasm and capability as I have to muster."

Butler feels good about where Salisbury is, where it's been and where it is going. He assured, "I'm going to show up everyday and let people know that I care about the same things today and tomorrow as I cared about yesterday and for the past ten years."

Butler concluded, "I feel very sad about Dr. Bellavance's situation. I've enjoyed working with him immensely. I've been part of a team that has achieved a lot over the last 10 years."



K. Nelson Butler, Interim President

doctoral work at the University of Florida at Gainesville.

Butler's next move was to the Eastern Shore with his wife Lucy. He explained, "[Joseph] Gilbert and Dean Burroughs preceded me to Salisbury. They were at the University of Tampa with me." Salisbury was looking for a Physical Education chairman, but Butler wasn't in the job market at the time. He stated, "I had a tenured position and I was teaching the courses I wanted to teach. I was enjoying myself." Butler came to Salisbury for a visit. He felt the college was charming. He stated, "I thought about it and obviously decide to come."

According to Associate Vice President Florence Pritchard Butler is known as an educator. She stated,

Gilbert Steps Down From V.P. Position

Will Join SSU's History Department as an Instructor

Victor J. Minoglio Jr.
Flyer Staff Writer

As students prepare for finals and winter break, Salisbury State will be undergoing major changes in administration.

This past October, President Thomas Bellavance announced his retirement effective December 22. Shortly after Bellavance's announcement, Joseph Gilbert declared his resignation from the post of executive vice president.

Harry Womack, a professor of biology and faculty member for 24 years at SSU, said the Bellavance and Gilbert situation "is very unfortunate. For two important people to leave at the same time makes it that much more difficult for Salisbury."

An article in the November 27 issue of "The Daily Times" dealt with the

retirement of Bellavance, yet appeared to overlook Gilbert's resignation.

Professor of psychology Kathy Fox, in a statement to "The Daily Times," said the faculty focus was on Bellavance.

"This is not to slight Joe Gilbert," she said, "Its just that the first seat is seen as more crucial and he [Gilbert] is an extension of the president."

Harry Basehart, head of the university forum and a political science professor was also quoted in "The Daily Times" saying, "Everyone realizes Dr. Bellavance is our main contact with the University of Maryland central administration. Gilbert is more focused on the internal workings of the campus."

Gilbert's colleagues say he never really looked at SSU as

merely a job, but more of an opportunity for creative outlet. An outlet which in the past has been frowned

conductive to learning in the opinion of some.

"[SSU has] a respectable environment," said Womack,

"which results in greater respect for the university."

Gilbert, who has spent 25 years at SSU, helped develop the environmental studies minor. He started the wilderness orientation program, the outdoor club and the Algonquin experience. He was also the initial organizer of the Seagull Century bike tour.

The list goes on, however Gilbert's impact on SSU goes far deeper than

aesthetics and organizations. "He has been involved

with so many things that make Salisbury special," James Phillips, director of public safety said, "and the

whole community will feel the loss."

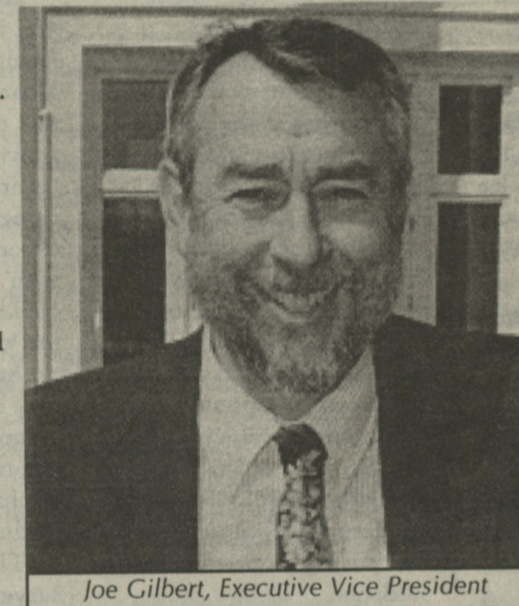
Gilbert first came to Salisbury State College in 1970. As assistant to the president, he dealt with a variety of responsibilities, such as institutional research and public relations — responsibilities that are now full time jobs at SSU.

In his 25 years at Salisbury, Gilbert has watched and helped enrollment soar from 990 students to over 6,000 today. However, Gilbert credits Bellavance for his achievements as vice president.

"A great deal of my enjoyment is a product of Dr. Bellavance allowing me to assume responsibility to be accountable, to be creative and to be a part of his overall vision."

Bellavance and Gilbert's partnership and friendship over the past 15 years has

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Joe Gilbert, Executive Vice President

upon by the university forum as being extravagant.

Walk across campus and Gilbert's creativity is seen in statues, art work, and landscaping; an environment

Common Calendar Presents Problems to Residents of Eastern Shore

Shubnum Gulab
Flyer Staff Writer

The Board of Regents of the University of Maryland System (UMS) decided on Friday, December 1, to form an eighteen member committee that will vote on whether to adopt a common academic calendar for all UMS schools.

The reasoning behind adopting a single academic calendar for all UMS schools is two-fold. First, dual-degree programs, like the ones between University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) and SSU and between the University of Maryland campuses in Baltimore and College Park, come into conflict when one

school starts or ends before another school.

Second, distance learning, interactive video broadcasting of classes, is on the rise. The Board of Regents feels that UMS schools that have the same calendars will smooth the way for innovative programs such as distance learning.

The people of the Eastern Shore are dramatically under-represented on the eighteen member committee. The only person from the Eastern Shore is a Malkia Singleton, UMS's sole student regent.

Singleton, who voted against the measure, raised concerns along with other Eastern Shore residents that the action would hurt our local economy.

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C.O.O.L. Raises Community Awareness

Yoav Wachsmann
Flyer Staff Writer

This past Sunday, when most students were frantically studying for Finals in their rooms, a group of dedicated students from Salisbury State University was out marching in the streets of Salisbury. The group was organized by C.O.O.L., Campus Outreach Opportunity League, and was marching in "The Jingle Bells Walk" for arthritis.

Each one of the students who participated in the walk collected pledges and delivered them to the Arthritis Foundation who will use the money to help people with arthritis.

The event got its name from the small bells many walkers wear which jingle as

they walk down the three-mile stretch.

This was the third time that C.O.O.L. participated in "The Jingle Bells Walk" which is only one of the many community-oriented events that C.O.O.L. takes part in every year.

This semester C.O.O.L. has also participated in the Heart Walk and adopted a one-parent family headed by a mother who is a student Salisbury State University.

Kiloma Wiggins, C.O.O.L.'s president, says that C.O.O.L. helped the mother from Nigeria by playing around with her younger kids and giving her some free time. C.O.O.L. also helped the older daughter, who will be going to SSU next year, become familiar with the campus.

C.O.O.L. was formed by a

group of interested students in 1992 to give charity organizations a way to contact students who were interested in doing volunteer work. When it was founded, C.O.O.L. received phone calls from volunteer organizations through the Dean of Students Office and then published the names, phone numbers and brief descriptions of what was expected of the volunteers.

As time went by, the list evolved into a monthly publication called "Shore Can" which also publishes short articles about different volunteers groups and community service in general. The Shore Can department is located in the Physical Plant building and is organized by Barry King, associate dean of students.

King, who is also the advisor for C.O.O.L., explains that "over the past few years more and more students from SSU have been engaging in some type of volunteer work." He says that more

SSU students are volunteering for community service because of the work organizations such as C.O.O.L. and Habitat for Humanity have done.

King is quick to point out that increasing number of faculty members are incorporating volunteer work as a compliment to classroom activity. He also adds that "more students are recognizing that volunteer experience connect directly with career development and could enhance their marketability."

Another explanation as to why more students are volunteering to do community service is because of changes in the composition of the student body. The ASTIN survey, a national survey that compares college freshmen across the United States, shows that in 1981 51.1% of the new incoming freshmen class claimed they had done some type of community service before coming to college. In 1989

67.8% of the students have made a similar claim which is 10% higher than the national average. The number for the 1995 survey is likely to be even higher.

Wiggins says that more students participated in the Jingle Bells Walk this year than last year. Last year only 4 students registered with C.O.O.L. to do the walk, while this year over 25 students registered for the event.

Karolyn Bonewitz, C.O.O.L.'s head of public relations, says that one of her goals is to increase student participation in volunteer work.

So far C.O.O.L. has had a tremendous positive impact on the community. Wiggins says that "volunteering gives me personal enjoyment. Since I can not give financial aid, I can help by giving a little of my time."



Presidential Search Gets Underway

Shubnum Gulab
Flyer Staff Writer

Donald Langenberg, chancellor of the University of Maryland System, is reviewing a list of potential members of the presidential search committee. The search committee will consist of 8-12 representatives, consisting of SSU faculty, administration, and staff. Specifically one person from each of the four schools of SSU, the Chair of the University forum, one at-large representative, at least one person from the Board of Regents, and at least one student of SSU.

The search committee's power, however, has been questioned by some because of the authority of the chancellor and regents. According to the "Guidelines for the Selection of Presidents and Directors," the regents have final and absolute power to decide who become's SSU's next president.

The search committee does indirectly influence the

selection process. They serve the role of an advisory committee that gives informed analysis of each candidate and submits an unranked list of three to five finalists to the chancellor. The "Guidelines" do not directly bind the regents to choosing one of the finalists.

Harry Basehart, the chair of the University Forum, is confident, however, that the regents will follow the committee's recommendations. "It is safe to assume that the chancellor will not select someone outside the list."

The results of the presidential appointment remain to be seen. UMS' guidelines say that the "duration of the search...should normally be completed within six working months following initiation of the process." Upon selection, the candidate will negotiate the terms and conditions of appointment with the chair of the Board's Committee on Organization and Compensation. The final announcement will be made publicly by the Board of Regents.

Opinion

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the one sided opinion letter written by a member of team #14 of the "Midnight Madness Polaroid Contest." I would like to say first off that our team in no way broke any rule as they were given out when the contest started. This is backed by the fact that when our team first checked in at the University Center at midnight we were given the O.K. to use multiple items on one picture. It was only after the teams such as "Bring out the Gimp" complained and "cried" that the ruling was reversed. I am in no way saying that all the other 15 teams complained, but it was the select few such as "Bring out the Gimp" that complained first.

The rule which was referred to in the opinion written by "Bring out the Gimp," "Only one picture may be submitted per subject number," was followed by "For example, a picture of only one bomber sticker may be submitted for number 16." Number 16 read as follows "A bumper sticker reading: A WICO,B Reagan/Bush, C. Mondale/Ferraro,D."Kiss my Bumper" sticker." The rule was saying that a team could not submit a picture of a WICO bumper sticker and a Mondale/Ferraro bomber sticker. It did not refer to being able to include more than one item on a photograph.

Team Animaniacs and our team, "Team Hooters," had ever right to be "pissed now". We were being creative. Creative as defined in Webster's Ninth Collegiate Dictionary is "marked by the ability or power to produce through imaginative skill." This is exactly what Team Animaniacs and Team Hooters did. We used "imaginative skill" to "produce" an idea which was not restricted by rules. And "YES" our team, Team Hooters, did go to Ocean City to get the high point pictures, as Team Animaniacs probably did also. We even went out of our way to find a member of another team's shoes which were misplaced on the beach in Ocean City.

Team Hooters would have finished in second place, if not for the sudden judgment which lead to the outlaw of multiple item pictures. What really pissed our team off was when the president of the Salisbury State Program stated, and I am paraphrasing, that "I would rather piss off two teams, than 15 teams," which is not a valid excuse for changing the first judgment.

I hope that next year there is some rule in place regarding this situation, so that an argument like this does not arise again. Team Hooters will be back next year with the same creativeness as this year. We will win next year, as long as we are not robbed again as we were this year. I would like to congratulate "Bring out the Gimp" for their victory, for it was not their fault we lost our second place finish.

Signed,

Team #13
Team Hooters
The team that will win first prize
in the 1996 Midnight Madness
Polaroid Contest

Dear Editor,

In response to the letter written by team #14, I would like to give you the half of the story you don't know. As a member of team #5, The Animaniacs, I can tell you a few things you should be enlightened on. First off we were not aware that what we did was illegal, we asked and were told by the Program Board that what we did was legal and nothing in the rules said that we could not out more than one item on the list per photograph. We were told that it was O.K. by the rules until your started to whine because you did not think of it. I'm sorry, but doesn't being creative mean to put some thought into it? We thought it was a good idea and figured others would come up with the same idea as they did. By the way, we would have called into the base and asked, but unlike all the other teams we were not provided with a number to call if we had any questions.

We did not cheat. Cheating is knowingly doing something wrong. We were told that it was O.K. If we knew what we were doing was not going to be accepted, we would have had a lot more points. We went for a lot of points on one photo, not one photo that was worth the most points. Don't go trying to insult people until you get the whole story. The Program Board did a bad job in writing the rules and form what I understand they have had problems in the past. Why couldn't they have changed the wording of the rules if they knew that this could be a potential problem?

Signed,

Team # 5
The Animaniacs

Dear Editor,

As a member of the Salisbury State University academic community, I feel a responsibility to voice some constructive criticisms.

To the professors: Leave your podium perch, leave your droning preprogrammed lectures and leave your cynical apathy or leave our university! Where's your interest, passion and respect for teaching? Realize that boring professors are ineffective failures. Get some real world experience and validate what you teach. Get serious!

To the students: Take off your hat, take an interest and take some notes or take a hike! Where's your interest, passion, and respect for learning? Too cool for school and too sedate to participate. Eyes on the floor, eyes out the window, eyes on the chest across the room, eyes closed. Class room or morgue? Get serious.

To the Staff: Congratulations for maintaining the most beautiful grounds and the butt-ugliest class rooms! Toodles for the rudest registration office, worst food service and utterly pathetic spending decisions. About those class rooms: poor ventilation, horrible climate control, broken furniture, crude facilities, inadequate lighting...Oh, and a big woo-hee for the library with the most impressive outdated book collection. Get serious.

The Big Picture: A university should be judged by the professional viability of its graduates. Salisbury State University graduates often lack the fundamental skills necessary to hold a basic office position in a fierce and crowded job market. What does a student get for thousands in loan debt and four years of life? A degree from a second-rate university that no employer outside of Maryland has heard of.

Perhaps in the future students and faculty will be proud to boast the name Salisbury State University the world over. But for now, consider this a challenge to the academic worth of this institution. Get serious or get unemployed!

Love and Happy Holidays,

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Dear Editor,

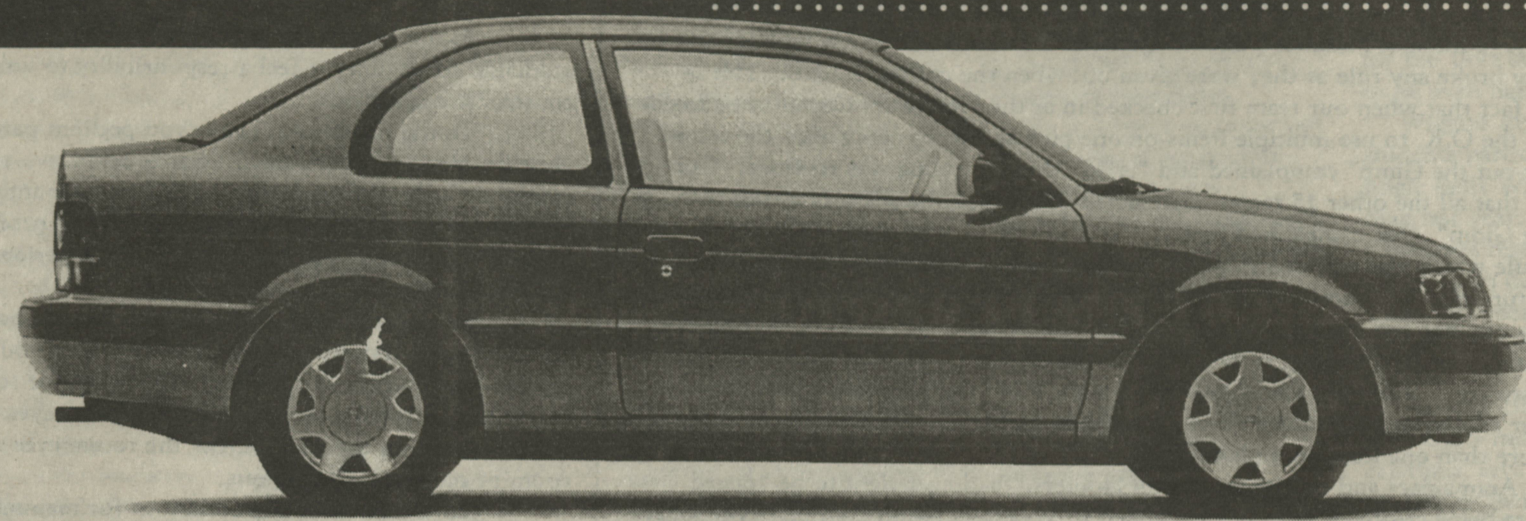
This is in response to all of the letters that have been written about the "Midnight Madness Polaroid Contest". I am one of the members from team #12, the second place team. It is really pathetic that a contest that is supposed to be fun has turned into a huge argument. Don't you guys have something better to do with your time then argue back and forth? Get a life.

Think about it this way, if you lost this year then be a little less "creative" and follow the rules next time. Then, maybe you will win.

Signed,

Tori Siegel
Team #12
Fall '94 1st place team
Fall '95 2nd place team

It Takes A Lot Of Drive To Get Ahead.

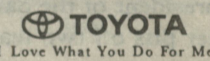


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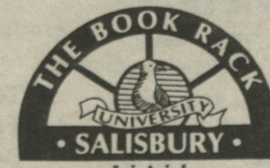
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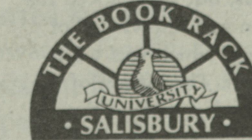
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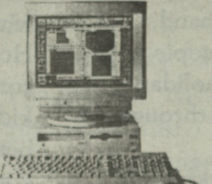
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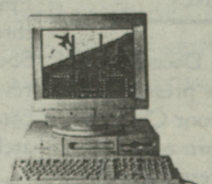
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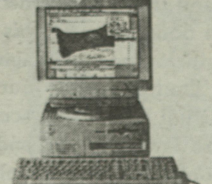
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'Tis the Season to Remember the Reason

Erica Praedin
Flyer Staff Writer

Have You Been Blinded by the Bright Lights of the Decorations?

Malls are overcrowded, parents are trying to keep the gifts hidden, colored lights are the fashion of every neighborhood, and Santa's "ho, ho, ho" is giving you a headache.

Welcome to the holiday season.

This year, the busy season began shortly before Thanksgiving, and will most likely end shortly after the holiday comes and people are back to work.

"I work in the mall and people are animals at Christmas time," said Chris Messick, who, perhaps because of his job, can't wait for the holiday season to be over so people can go back to being normal. "I don't respect people anymore thanks to Christmas."

On the other hand, however, some people wish the spirit of the holiday season could last throughout the entire year.

Stephanie Burke thinks

that Christmas is "the most wonderful time of the year." Unlike Messick, Burke believes everyone's personality and attitude changes for the better during the holidays.

"Christmas [seems] the only time of the year," said Burke, "when everyone is nice to each other."

Still, unless you are Martha Stewart, whose craftiness keeps her in good cheer during the holidays, chances are that the commercial madness is starting to stress you out.

"Christmas is totally commercialized and completely absurd," said Pete Kristian, who can't help but notice the holiday rush. "Nobody cares about what [the season] is all about."

But what is this season all about?

For Christians, it's about the birth of Jesus Christ as the Son of Man and Father to us all. It's also about peace to mankind, and a huge feast with the family that comes with the exchange of gifts.

However, Christmas has come to mean toys for the kids, Santas at the malls, and bearing another visit with your dreaded relatives and in-

laws..

For Jewish Americans, this season means the celebration of Hanukkah, which commemorates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem after it was freed from Greek captivity. By lighting the Menorah each of the eight days Hanukkah lasts, people of the Jewish faith remember the miracle of the oil lamp which remained lit for eight days, though it only had enough oil for one.

There is no Santa Clause during Hanukkah, nor are there stockings hung from the fireplace. In fact, there is virtually no media commercialization involved with Hanukkah. There are, however, a number of close, familial celebrations.

As Christmas becomes larger, and earlier every year, many people question whether non-Christians become offended by the onslaught of a Christian holiday.

Andy Hanover of the Jewish Student Association, doesn't take offense to the highly commercialized Christian holiday.

"A lot of businesses are calling it a 'holiday season' rather than a Christmas

season," said Hanover.

Hanover also recognizes that the majority of the United States does celebrate Christmas, but he likes to see "businesses cover both grounds" by including Hanukkah into the holiday season.

Another holiday commonly overlooked during the holiday season is Kwanzaa. Celebrated from December 26 through January 1, this American holiday pays tribute to the cultural roots of African American heritage.

Kwanzaa is not a religious, political, or heroic holiday. It is purely based on culture, recognizing seven principles: unity, self determination, cooperative economics, faith, purpose, and creativity. These are the honored aspects of the African American culture.

Yet, regardless of race or religion, the holidays often provide a time of togetherness to be celebrated with friends and family.

Paul Lichtinger, a sophomore at SSU, explained how his family celebrates Christmas every year. "We always go to my Aunt's on Christmas Eve, we have brunch at our house on

Christmas Day, and then we go to my grandparents' house later in the day," said Lichtinger, "Over the holidays, the whole family is together."

The holiday season also gives people a time to remember the past.

"Christmas is one of the only things you can remember of being a kid," said Aaron Haslinger, who loves the nostalgia of Christmas, "that's what I like the best about the season."

Still, in this time of holiday happiness and hustle and bustle, it's easy to forget what the season is all about. Whether your a Jewish American celebrating Hanukkah, or a Christian celebrating Christmas, it is important to remember the real reason behind your celebration.

Perhaps Charlie Brown said it best in the Peanuts' Christmas special when he said, "I won't let all this commercialization ruin my Christmas."

Apply that idea to your own holiday, and let the festivities begin.

Take A Hike Into A New Culture

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On Monday, December 4, Cindy Ross presented what Outdoor Club advisor Dr. Bill Horn called "a ground breaking presentation" about her combined hiking and biking trip through the Czechoslovakian Republic.

Ross, a professional hiker and writer, currently writes for Womans Health and Fitness and recently wrote a book entitled "Children and the Wild." She has also done many long distance hikes including the entire Appalachian Trail, and parts of the Continental Divide and the Pacific Crest Trail.

Upon completion, the Czech Greenway will consist of 250

miles worth of trail, starting in Vienna, Austria and ending in Prague. In between, it will pass through 12 medieval towns of South Moravia and Bohemia, revealing vast pastoral countryside as well as medieval architecture.

Ross found out about the trip from a Czech man she met in Vermont. "We met over tea, and I knew I met this man for a reason," said Ross. Founder of the organization Friends of the Czech Republic, this man funded the opening of the extensive network of trails as a tribute to his republic, which just six years ago broke free from the iron curtain of communism. Ross, accompanied by her husband and two children, decided not only to do the trail, but to act as a consultant to the organization

on how to build trails and how to attract people to them. "We knew it would be more like a job then recreation, but we knew it would be an experience nonetheless," said Ross.

The trip was not the raw wilderness experience Ross and her family are used to. Instead they got a taste of a new and completely different culture then their own. The countryside were scattered with ancient shrines and vineyards that were up to 400 years old. "At the top of every hill there was a magnificent castle," said Ross. She talked about one point her group rode along a part of trail where the physical iron curtain still existed with its ominous fences and towering lookouts. "These lands are pastoral, untouched," said Dr. Horn, "If

you send 500,000 people over there as tourists, it will ruin it."

The culture of the Czech people is very different from our own. In fact, they used the trails for transportation because hardly anyone owned cars. "The lecture gave me a lot of perspective... not everyone lives as materialistically as we do here in America," stated junior Suzanne Rains.

Ross' correspondence benefited the organization greatly. The "Friends of the Czech Republic had the funding for the trails, but they lacked the organization and knowledge of trail building, which was were Ross came in. The efforts of the organization also bridged the communication gap that had existed for hundreds of years between the different towns.

"We met with the mayor of each town, most of which had previously never communicated with the other mayors," said Ross.

With Ross and her families help, the organization has designed a ten day trip to highlight the best parts of the Greenway. They also have a sister Greenway here in America, the Hudson Greenway in New York.

If a rugged hiking trip through miles of wilderness is what your looking for, this may be the trip for you. "This trip gives people a chance to experience a new culture, one not touched by the progress of the modern world," said Outdoor Club president Anika Parr.

World Alcohol Awareness

Monica Tettamanzi
Flyer Staff Writer

It's the holiday season once again, and with all the partying that will go on it's time for more alcohol awareness.

Thanks to a couple of International students on campus, and thanks to Thomas Lavenir, a student at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, I have been able to come up with a compilation of alcohol laws from various countries around the world, some popular drinks, as well as some interesting general statements from international students.

"Alcohol Awareness" is kind of a funny title, isn't it? Most Americans are far too 'aware' of it already," said Jenny Winker of the Minnesota International Center.

According to Ken Bus, director of the International Students Programs at Hamilton College "The English word 'alcohol' comes from Arabic.

Arabs in the golden age of Islam were great scientists who advanced the fields of chemistry, geography and medicine."

"In Australia, the drinking age is eighteen. However, [the law is not] so strict. Identification is called for if there is suspicion that a patron is under the age of eighteen. So many older looking sixteen and seventeen year olds can get in pubs. The most popular drink would have to be beer! But the most popular mixed drink could possibly be Bundy and Coke. Bundy is Rum made in Bundaberg, Queensland," said Study Abroad Advisor Ann E. Wadsworth.

"In Colombia, drinking is not a bad thing. Children are allowed to drink during special events, such as the new year celebration. There is no drinking age but some bars do not allow people under eighteen to go in unless they are with someone that is over eighteen. The most popular alcoholic beverages are the national beers, whiskey, and aguardiente, said Carlos Shedd

of Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa.

"The most popular drink in France is wine. There are no drinking age laws," according to Heather L. McConley of the International Scholars Office.

"I think that the most popular German drink is beer of course," said Lavenir. "The most popular drink in Greece is wine and Scotch. The drinking age law is sixteen, but it is not enforced," he added.

"I have extensive experience with Middle Eastern cultures such as Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirate, Jordan, etc. I can tell you that since alcohol is forbidden in Islam, the people there do not generally consume it. Of course there are exceptions, but I would say the most popular beverage in that part of the world is coffee. Arabian coffee is quite different, though, from what you might expect. It is brownish-yellow in color, weak looking, and spiced with cardamon, which the Arabs call "hail," said Ken Bus. "In Japan,

people can legally drink at 20. However, there are drinking and beer vending machines almost everywhere, and anyone can put money in them to get a drink."

"The national drink of Morocco is mint tea... I work with many students who do not drink alcohol for religious reasons," said Jenny Winker of the Minnesota International Center.

"In Pakistan, people who actually get arrested for possession of alcohol may be publicly whipped. It's drastic and hasn't been done much over the past few years, but it is the law. [In Pakistan] we drink tea with lots of milk and sugar in it. It's the national drink," said Regional Educational Advising Consult Kathleen Kisting Alam.

How about drinking and driving in foreign countries?

In Bulgaria a second offense means execution... In Costa Rica police remove offending driver's plates from his car... In England a drunk driver loses their license for one year, is fined

substantially and may receive one year in jail... In France, the culprit loses their licence for three years, gets one year in jail plus a \$1,000 fine... In Finland and Sweden the driver is automatically jailed for one year with hard labor, while in Malaysia the driver is jailed, and if married, his wife joins him in prison... In Poland the driver is jailed and forced to attend political lectures... In Russia the driver's license is revoked for life... In South Africa ten years in prison and/or a \$10,000 fine is the sentence for drunk driving... In Turkey, the drunk driver is taken 20 miles from town an forced to walk back under police escort.

Maybe if the United States had tougher drunk driving laws it would be less of a problem.

This information was compiled by Ann E. Wadsworth, Study Abroad advisor. Please note that the following information may not be entirely correct or up to date.

Totally for You Helps Students Relieve Finals Stress

Robyn Bridge
Flyer Staff Writer

There's a feeling in the air. Does it feel like Christmas?

At SSU, or any other college and university at this time, Christmas isn't what students are thinking about. They're thinking about the cramp in the back of their necks from looking down at books too long.

Yes, finals time is here again. The time of the year that brings a slow down to partying on college campuses across the country and a high point of computer usage. Not only are the students feeling it, but I have heard many a professor say, "I can't wait until this semester is over."

As December 19 nears, there will be a collective sigh across the campus. Jen Phillips, an athletic training major, says she is stressed because "I have two exams on Wednesday,

two on Friday, and one on Monday." Phillip's friend Danielle Devlin says, "I can't say that I am stressed out about finals, but my competencies have got me going." A competency is an interactive test which all athletic training majors do.

Student Kenneth Todd says "my stress is not over exams, but over two papers I have to do."

"I am stressed out over Organic Chemistry because the final is cumulative," lamented student Amy Madren.

With all of this stress, what can you do? Walk out in the hallway and scream? Your dormmates might not appreciate that. The one thing that the University has done for us is a program called "Totally for You," which started last spring. Lawanda Gordy, the assistant Director of Operations at the University Center came up with this idea. "I

thought, 'What can we do to support students during finals?'" says Gordy. "Perhaps they need some quick stress relievers, or a study group."

The "Totally for You" program is not only this. If you happen to come into the University Center lounge between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m., most nights there will be a waiting line for a massuese. There will also be free munchies and games in the game room. The building has been opened until 2:00 a.m., and there have also been extra computers set up. Your papers can also be edited for grammar.

Students have been appreciative of the Totally for You program. "I have gotten two massages and ate a lot of the munchies," says Phillips. "I've stayed after [in the University Center] until it was closed, and had some coffee," says Todd.

If you have not taken advantage of "Totally for You," the remainder of

the schedule is:

Tuesday, December 12
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open until 2:00 a.m.

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Reading Lounge (8:00
a.m.-2:00 a.m.)

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Massage Therapist-
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9:00 p.m.)

Herb's Place Free
Play (9:00 p.m.-midnight)

Random Study
Groups in the Gull's Nest
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Beverages and
munchies set up

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The "Totally for You" program has been received well by faculty & staff, as well as students. "The faculty and staff have been very supportive," says Gordy.

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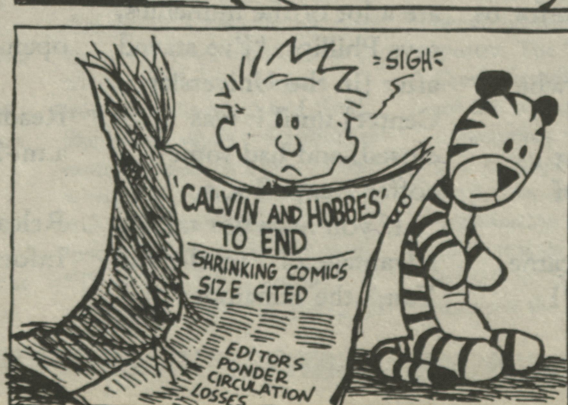
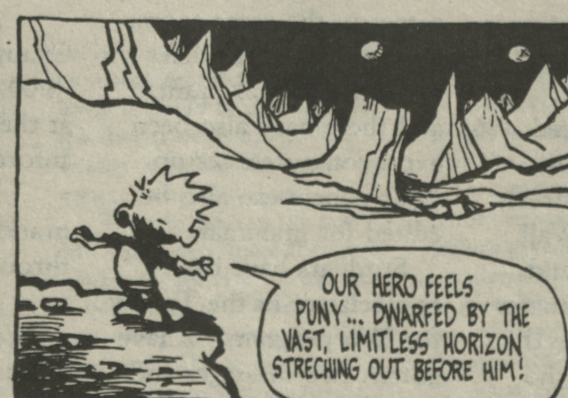
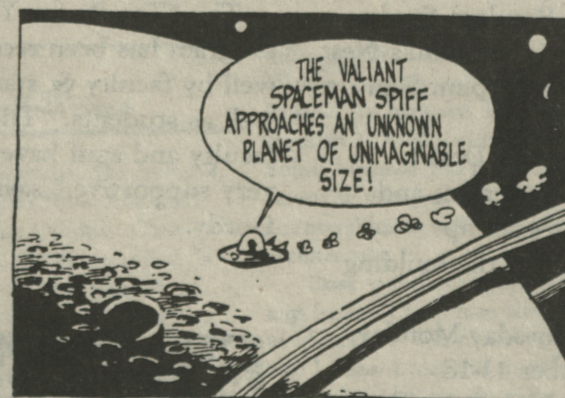
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My friend Beeber can reach around the back of her head, come up from behind and cover the front of her face with the palm of her hand.

She is cool.

But Beeber can't tell if she's being tricked. I've seen people say stuff to her that they don't mean.... like "I'll meet you at 5 tonight." Beeber will wait there for hours.

I love Beeber.

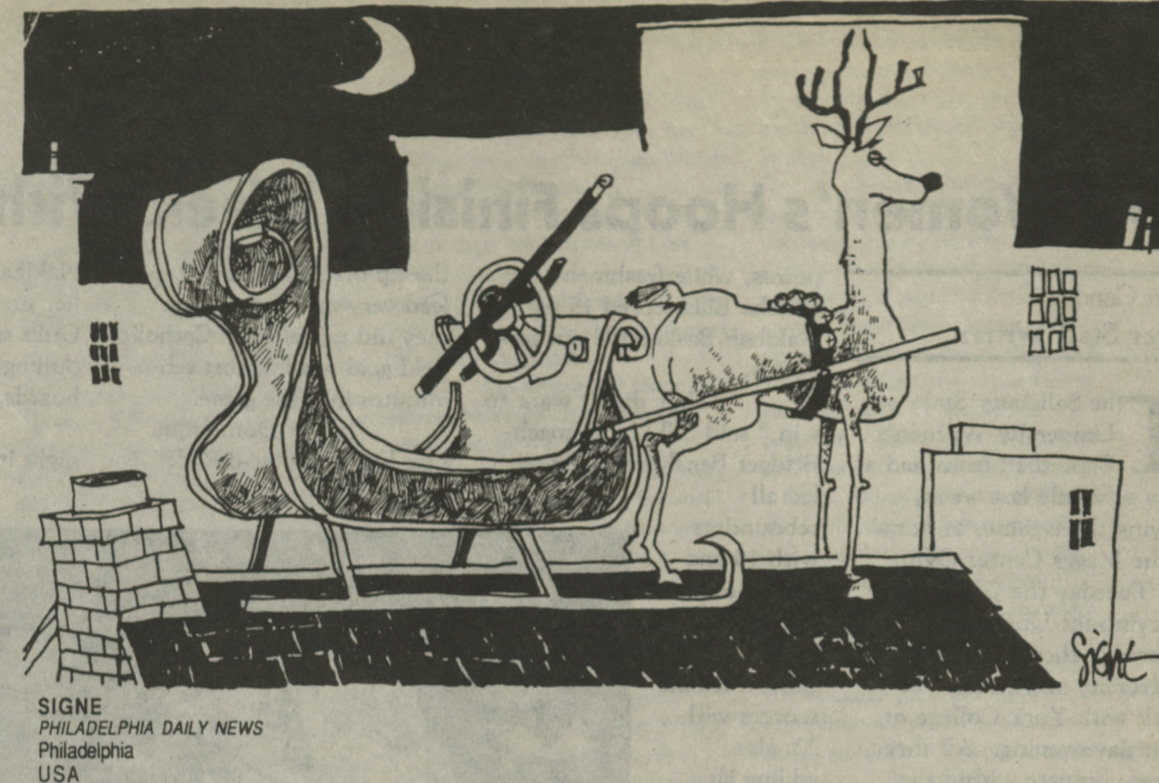
She'd put both of her hands in garbage to find your lost wrist watch. Beeber has the best hands. I hope no one ever hurts Beeber.

When I have kids I want my little girl to have hands like Beeber's. Someday Beeber will recognize when someone is tricking her and then her life will be forever smooth.

That's a very fine recipe for contentment.....

great hands that move smoothly.

Life is good.



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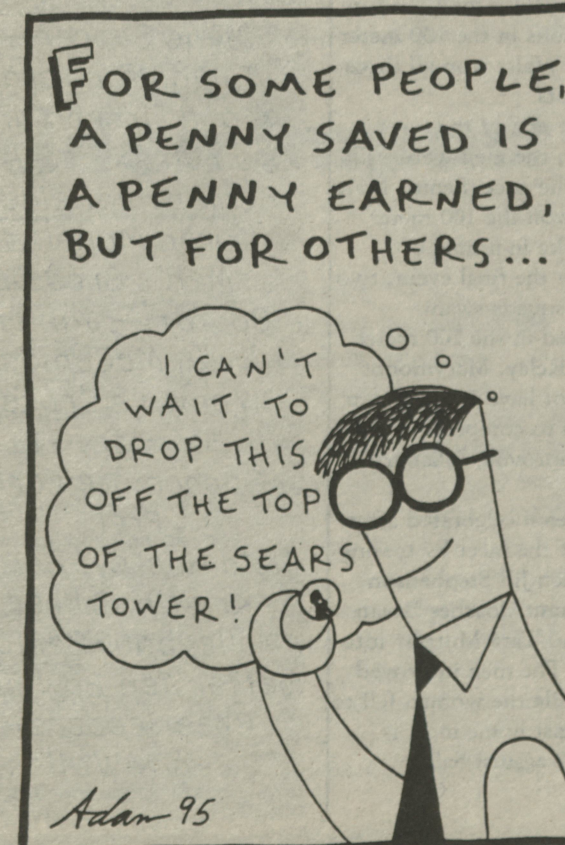
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SSU Women's Hoops Finishes Week With A Win Over York

Matt Condon
Flyer Staff Writer

The Salisbury State University Women's Basketball team had a busy schedule last week, playing three games at home at the Maggs Center Gym. On Tuesday the Gulls faced Marymount University, on Thursday they met Catholic University and ended the week with York College on Saturday evening. All three teams compete within the same conference as SSU, the Capital Athletic Conference, which made these match-ups all the more important.

Unfortunately SSU did not show the determination they should have had Tuesday when they went up against the defending CAC champs. The SSU players just couldn't get things going and were unable to shoot the ball with any kind of success. The Seagulls only shot 27% from the field in the 69-58 loss. Senior co-captain Amy Fenzel scored 10

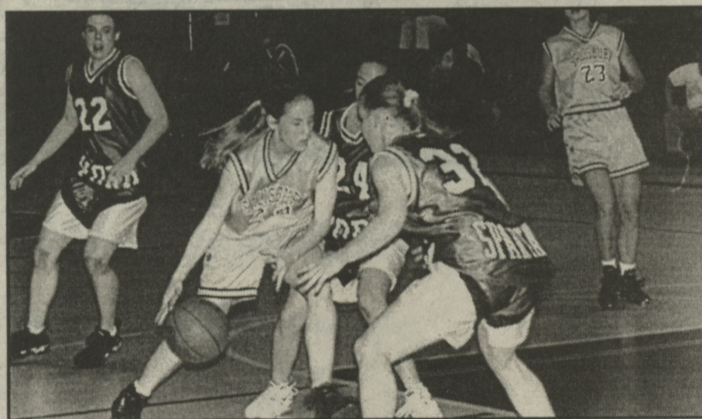
points, while freshmen Maisha Ellis scored 15 and Nakiah Baskerville put in 4 points.

"They didn't want to win," said SSU head coach Bridget Benshelter. Fenzel led all rebounders with 13 and Marymount junior, Corinne Carson led all scorers with 22, also adding an impressive 7 blocks for the night. The loss snapped SSU's four game winning streak.

On Thursday the Seagulls seemed to have their intensity back as they clobbered the visiting Cardinals from Washington, D.C. SSU dominated the Cards in every facet of the game as they went on to win by a score of 93-46. The team came out fired up from

the tip off and took a 10-0 lead very early on, in fact they did not allow a Catholic field goal until almost ten minutes into the game.

Junior Dominique Lisa had a double-double



with 20 points and ten assists, while co-captain Fenzel also poured in 20 points on 9-11 shooting. The entire SSU offense shot well hitting for an impressive 48% from the field. The defense got things done too, holding Catholic to just 22% from the field and causing 41 turnovers. Freshman F

Nakiah Baskerville made her presence felt for the Gulls scoring 13 points and pulling down a game-high 14 boards.

Then on Saturday night it was uncertain at first which team came to play for SSU. Would it be the drained team that faced Marymount or would we see the charged team that was diving for loose balls against CU on Thursday?

The score was close for much of the game until almost 11 minutes were gone in the second half.

As it turned out it was neither of the afore mentioned teams that showed up. Instead SSU relied on strong team play and the help of Ellis who scored 15 points and a game-high 13

rebounds. Fenzel was impressive once again leading SSU scorers with 23 points and eight boards. York stayed in the game for as long as they could behind an outstanding 31 point performance by junior guard Stacy Chandler.

Dominique Lisa added 15 points including 6 in the second half when SSU finally pulled away for good for the 81-67 victory. Kristi Kauffman came off the bench to play excellent defense and add 6 points. Freshman point guard Amy Cooke did a nice job backing up Lisa and making several pretty assists. After the game Fenzel was honored for reaching the 1000 point mark which occurred at the Gull Classic championship.

The Seagulls have improved their record to 6-3 overall and 3-1 in the CAC. The Lady Gulls do not have another game until January 6 when they will travel to face Goucher College.

Swim Team Splits Meet With Marymount

Brian Burden
Flyer Staff Writer

The Salisbury State University swim team, in its last meet before the semester break split the match against Marymount on Saturday here at SSU. The men won in an impressive fashion, stomping the visitors 89-44. The women's side however, came up short in its efforts losing 111-91.

The women had some strong individual performances as they stayed close throughout the meet. Freshman Ali Dispenzeri and sophomore Susan Lafond finished one-two in the 50 meter Freestyle with times of :30.18 and :30.35, respectively.

At the first break, the girls only trailed 49-41.

Junior Nikki Cunningham(1:14.17) and sophomore Noreen Zuiderhof(1:14.85) finished one-two in the 100 meter Butterfly as the women's team



came out of the break strong. Marymount eventually began to pull away though. Dispenzeri won the 100 meter Freestyle with a time of 1:07.56, but Marymount led at

the second break, 93-73.

A bright spot that has been bright all season for the women's team was freshman Jen Herzig. She continued her solid year, winning the 100 meter Breaststroke in 1:21.24.

The men took advantage of an undermanned Marymount squad, putting them away before the first break. The men took the 200 meter Medley Relay and never looked back. Jeff Waltz, Mike Mazella, and Scott Wray took the top three positions in the 50 meter Freestyle. At the first break, the men

were leading 61-11. Things didn't get much better for Marymount, as Salisbury kept on swimming laps around them. The Mazella brothers, Mike and Brian,

finished one-two, respectively, in the 100 meter Butterfly. Waltz and Wray took the top two positions in the 100 meter Freestyle. Waltz won all three of his events.

As the end of the meet came near, the men were still dictating the pace. Senior Matt Raschka won the 100 meter Breaststroke in a time of 1:12.62. In the final event, two Salisbury squads swam uncontested in the 200 meter Freestyle Relay. Marymount just did not have enough men swimmers to compete with the rapidly improving Salisbury squad.

The team celebrated after the end of the meet by tossing Head Coach Jill Stephenson and Assistant Coaches Bryan Gomes and Tara Murphy into the pool. The men improved to 2-4, while the women fell to 4-4. The last home meet is January 27 against Saint Mary's.

SSU Fall Honor Roll

Mens Soccer—
Junior forward
Matt Tirschman
Women's Soccer—
Junior midfielder
Karen Mannion
Men's Cross
Country—Junior
Ryan McComas
Women's Cross
Country—
Sophomore Lori
Frei
Field Hockey—Goalie
Kristin Archer
Volleyball—Senior
setter Jen Bowman
Cheerleaders—
Jenny Walls

Behind the Arc

Jason King
Flyer Staff Writer

SSU basketball lost its first four games of the season, but things are looking up. The Gulls captured the Optimist Gull Classic on Dec. 2, and Salisbury forward John DeRichie was named MVP. DeRichie was 10-for-15 shooting in the championship game and had 38 total points in the two games in the tournament. His superior play has been a key factor in the Gull's turnaround.

DeRichie played high school ball at Mainland Regional High School in New Jersey. He was named 1st team all-conference his senior year and lead the league in three-point percentage. He has played at SSU for three years, two of which he was the team's starting forward. Last season he averaged over 11 points a game, and had big numbers from the outside.

Three-point land is where DeRichie thrives. "That's my strength, and it has been all my life," commented DeRichie. "I live off that," he added. Last year DeRichie had a team best seven threes in a game against St. Mary's, and he has topped that already this season. In the Optimist Gull Classic championship, DeRichie drilled eight three pointers. He is 22-for-60 on the season from behind the arc.

DeRichie says he does look for the three-point shot, but that the Gull's strong inside play has really added to his opportunities. "We're doing a good job of getting the ball inside, and the defenses are collapsing on those guys. Then the big men (Harold Victor and Bill Lancaster) have been kicking it out for the open

shots," DeRichie explained.

But a good basketball player can't survive on just threes, and DeRichie has done well all over the floor. He is averaging over 13 points a game this season, and has played exceptionally well on defense. Perhaps even more indicative of DeRichie's athleticism is the 18 rebounds he is averaging a game. With Victor, Lancaster, and Randy Clark being big on the boards, rebounds don't come easy, not to mention that DeRichie is a self-described "outside player."

DeRichie hasn't let his fast start go to his head. "If the rewards come, then they come. As long as we're winning and I'm playing hard, that's all I look for," he said. DeRichie says he would like to make 1st team all-conference this year, and maybe set the school record for three-pointers, but he places the team's goals before his own. "One of our goals at the beginning of the season was to place first in the conference, and then make the tournament," he said. "We have a lot of talent, and once we start jelling I think we'll be there," he said.

DeRichie is a junior engineering major with a 3.5 cumulative G.P.A. "School comes first. I put a lot of time into that," he explained. Unfortunately for the Gulls, DeRichie's major will require him to transfer to College Park next year. He plans to earn his degree and possibly get his masters in architecture.

DeRichie also intends on trying out for the Terps basketball team. If he continues to play at the level he has this season, he should have no problem hitting threes at Cole Field House.

Sudden Impact

Brian Burden
Flyer Staff Writer

When a team is looking to build itself into a contender in college, having a solid core of freshmen to build around is important. As the men's swim team attempts to move themselves into the upper echelon of the Capital Athletic Conference, freshman Jeff Waltz will be counted on to be a leader.

Waltz, from Walkersville, Maryland, has been swimming competitively for the past eight years. He swam for the Frederick Area Swim Team (FAST) during

that time. Scott has easily made the transition from club swimming to college swimming. Waltz notes that "The workouts are pretty much the same, but I have to spend more time on weight training than I ever did before. In college, everything revolves around the team, as opposed to the individual in club (swimming)."

Waltz is a big fan of competition. "I love it (competition) and thrive on

Fenzel's Consistency Driving Womens Hoops

Matt Condon
Flyer Staff Writer

This season's SSU Women's Hoops team has a much different style than the teams of past, but there is one constant that has not changed and she is Amy "Lefty" Fenzel. The senior co-captain from Jefferson, MD has been involved with the SSU Women's basketball program for the past five seasons (she was red-shirted for one season due to injury). She has been a consistent leader and producer ever since she arrived at SSU and just recently was honored for reaching the 1000 point mark.

This accomplishment was indeed a reflection of Fenzel's talented abilities as a player, but her attitude toward the game is reflected in other ways. She does not get caught up in worrying how many points she has each game or how many points she needs in order to maintain a certain average. She is more concentrated on the outcomes of the games and what she was able to do during them to help the team.

"I try not to set number goals really, because I think those types of goals tend to limit you. I mean I've had games where I've scored only 4 points, but was a big part of the win. At the end of a game like that I am satisfied with my performance. On the other hand I could score a lot of points and we could lose and I end up not

Hannah Earns Spot On All American Team

With its first winning season since 1988 due in large part to the resurgence of its defense, Salisbury State had one of its key defenders recognized as a national All-American. Senior March Hannah is one of four linebackers and 24 overall players named to the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) College Division II All-America team. He is the first Sea Gull Football All-American since 1986.

Hannah, a two-year captain and four year letterman started all 10 games for the 7-3 Gulls this season. He finished the year tied for team high honors with 81 tackles. He also recorded one sack (-10 yards), five other tackles for loss (-17 yards), one interception, four pass breakups, one caused fumble and one fumble recovery.

feeling good at all about it" said Fenzel.

One thing Fenzel likes is this season's chances for her team to achieve their goals which includes winning their conference and making it back to the NCAA tournament. Last year the team made an early exit in the first round thanks to some poor officiating by the referees at the end of the game.

"Last year we made it to the NCAA's and it was awesome, it was a neat experience. But unlike last year, we won't be happy just because we made it to the tournament," Fenzel said. Coach Bridget Benshelter has described this season's team as the best talent she has ever coached and Fenzel definitely agrees. "I came into this program with 'Bedrock' (Kim Roth) and we were kind of like the first talent to play at SSU. There were other talented players like Jen Boone, but back then those teams won because they had so much heart. Now we have so much talent, everybody is athletic and Coach is getting us to play with the same heart of the teams in the past. We are diving for balls and playing a faster paced game," she said.

As a leader she is expected to help and teach her teammates to win and to play hard. So far this season she has tried to take two freshmen players under her wing, F Gwen Gorely and F Nakiah Baskerville. "I'm not one of those rah-rah type of people, I

try to lead by example. But at practice I hound them a lot, I try to help them out and work on things with them" said Fenzel.

Fenzel does not like to say too many things about particular teammates because she does not want to take anything away from anyone or leave anyone out. She is very optimistic about the potential of all her teammates and confident that they will be successful together. The team's main focus early on is to work on jelling as a team. Because of the training the Gulls do outside of practice, which includes aerobic exercise and weight lifting 2-3 times a week, Fenzel described the team as "stacked".

Her attitude towards the younger players is very complimentary. "They have so much potential! I can't imagine how good they will be when they are all seniors. I'm just glad that I am getting to be a little part of it all right now," said Fenzel.

Although this will be Fenzel's last season playing for the Seagulls, she will always be a part of the team. She is currently studying to receive a teaching certificate, which she will earn in May. While she has no set plans yet, there is a possibility that she will remain in the Salisbury area. "If I'm here next year I will definitely be involved with the team. I could never be here and not be a part of this team," said Fenzel.

or third teams or honorable mention awards.

Hannah was also rewarded as the SSU defensive MVP award at the semi-annual sports banquet. Quarterback Dave Doy was named the offensive MVP. Doy, a two year captain, completed 176 of 293 passes for 1796 yards and eight touchdowns this year. He is registered Salisbury's third highest single-season passing total ever.

Rotellini announced the winners of the team's Bobby Richards Award, given annually to a player whose positive attitude, dedication to the team and loyalty to teammates has made a positive difference. This year's co-winners were senior defensive back Jeff Pontius and senior center Eric Crapster.

Having a group of veteran seniors has helped ease Waltz's transition. "The whole team is real friendly. We do a lot of things together, and we support each other a great deal." With the seniors departing after this season, Waltz still

Waltz knows his role on this team good enough. As a star freshman on a rebuilding team, Waltz knows that he will be counted on in the future to lead the swim team. As long as he keeps on swimming the way he has, Waltz will have no problems at all.

Salisbury State, a blossoming institution, will

This is a change of responsibility for Gilbert, but not attitude, "I really love what I'm doing as executive vice president, but I will love what I'm doing as a teacher as well."

The vote to decide if the pre-Labor day calendar is acceptable will be made about Fall 1998.

Source: Average annual starting salaries for 1994-95 graduates were used from the Collegiate Employment Research Institute, 1995, "Salary Report 1994-95, East Lansing, Michigan.

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Briefly Stated

December 1995 Commencement Information
Commencement will be held at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, December 17, 1995 in the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center.
ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY. All graduates are requested to form for processional at 2:00 p.m. in the side corridors adjacent to the main arena on the first floor of the Civic Center. The commencement speaker will be Mrs. Marian Wright Edelman, Founder and President of the Children's Defense Fund. Physically Disabled Guests - Accessible seating is provided on the main floor of the arena. Ask an usher for the location as you enter the Civic Center. **Hearing Impaired Guests** - Signers are present for the entire graduation ceremony. Seating for an optimum view of the individual(s) signing is in the first level of the grandstands close to and on either side of the stage. Seating is not reserved, therefore, early arrival is suggested. Ask an usher for the location as you enter the Civic Center. The First Aid staff of the Civic Center will be on duty in the office on the right side of the foyer entrance just outside the main arena.
Caps, gowns, master's hoods and announcements (quantities are limited) will be distributed through The Book Rack beginning November 15, 1995 until November 18, 1995. These may be retained by the graduates and need not be returned following the ceremony.

Problems with caps and gowns will be corrected prior to the ceremony by the bookstore employees at the Civic Center, in Flanders Room #1 near the snack bar to the left of the arena entrances. Bookstore hours Monday through Thursday are 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bookstore hours on Friday are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **GRADUATES MUST PICK UP THE NECESSARY ITEMS ON OR BEFORE 2:00 P.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1995. TICKETS FOR GRADUATION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE BOOK RACK. EACH STUDENT WILL BE LIMITED TO 12 TICKETS EACH. GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE SEATED BY 2:45 P.M.**
Students may leave personal property in Flanders Room #1 during the graduation ceremony when the room will be locked. It will be unlocked when the ceremony is over and students may pick up their possessions at that time. SSU will not be responsible for these items; students are therefore encouraged to leave valuables with family or friends. Students will first be awarded degrees by school (e.g., School of Liberal Arts), and will be asked, by President Bellavance, to stand and remain standing until all degrees have been awarded for that school. Dr. Bellavance will then signal graduates to move the tassel from the right side to the left side of the mortarboard, and then to be seated. Then students will individually be

awarded their diploma. The faculty marshals will have given each graduate a 3x5 card containing his/her name and the School, (e.g. Perdue School of Business). The card then is to be handed to Dr. Nelson Butler when the graduate reaches the stage, and at the same time, the graduate is to announce his/her name to Dr. Butler, who then will know who the person is and how to pronounce the name correctly. **THE NAME ON THE CARD MUST NOT BE CHANGED FOR ANY REASON. DURING THE RECESSIONAL, GRADUATES AND FACULTY ARE TO RETURN TO THE AREA WHERE THEY ASSEMBLED PRIOR TO THE CEREMONY.** They should not stop or congregate in the lobby. A brief reception for graduates and their guests will be held immediately following commencement in the Midway Room of the Civic Center. The reception is being sponsored by the Salisbury State University Alumni Association, and at the conclusion of the ceremony you will be official alumni of Salisbury State University. Degree candidates who do not plan to participate in the commencement exercises **MUST** notify the Registrar's Office by calling 543-6158 no later than Monday, December 11, 1995. All graduates will receive a blank folder at commencement, and all diplomas will be mailed approximately six weeks after the ceremony. It should be noted that the recognition of graduates and those who will achieve Honors is

tentative pending certification of all graduation requirements. The ROTC Commissioning Ceremony will take place at 2:00 p.m. in the Great Hall in Holloway Hall on Tuesday, December 19, 1995 with a reception following in the Social Room in Holloway Hall. The University community is cordially invited to attend.
Faculty and staff should enter through the Midway Room entrance and line up for the processional at 2:15 p.m. in the Midway Room of the Civic Center. Faculty members are required to attend; those who are unable to do so should inform their respective School Dean. **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE** candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter L will report to DR. JOHN TYVOLL AND MS. LISA SELDOMRIDGE. When you enter the main entrance of the Civic Center, go to the left corridor at the rear and line up alphabetically along the inside wall, facing East (the rear of the building). You will sit in Section 3 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the side aisle. **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE** candidates with last names beginning with the letter M through the letter Z will report to DRS. BEN GREENE AND MIKE GARNER. When you enter the main entrance of the Civic Center, go to the left corridor at the rear and line up alphabetically

along the windows, facing West (the front of the building). You will sit in Section 5 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the side aisle. **BACHELOR OF ARTS** candidates will assemble in the South corridor of the Civic Center (to the right after you enter the front doors, on the side nearest the park). Candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter L will report to DRS. HOMER AUSTIN AND AUGUSTINE DIGIOVANNA at the rear of the corridor and will line up alphabetically facing East (the rear of the building). You will sit in Section 4 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the section starting from the side aisle. **BACHELOR OF ARTS** candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter L will also go to the right after you enter the front doors of the Civic Center, but will go to the cross corridor (leading to the Midway Room) and report to DRS. GERALD ST. MARTIN AND CAROLYN BOWDEN. You will line up alphabetically in that corridor against the wall nearest the rear of the building. You will sit in Section 6 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the section starting from the side aisle.

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK (B.A.S.W.) AND BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS (B.F.A.) candidates will also go to the right after you enter the front doors of the Civic Center. You will proceed to the cross corridor (leading to the Midway Room) and report to DR. GERALD ST. MARTIN. You will line up alphabetically in that corridor against the wall nearest the front of the building. You will sit in Section 6 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the section starting from the side aisle. **ALL MASTER'S DEGREE** candidates (M.A., M.S., M.B.A., and M. Ed.) will enter the Civic Center at the Midway Room front entrance (closest to the park) and report to a faculty marshal in that corridor. M.A., M.S. and M.B.A. candidates will report to DR. STEVE GEHRICH. You will line up according to her direction, alphabetically by degree, and will sit in Section 7 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle. M. Ed. candidates are to report to DR. JACK WULFF and line up alphabetically at his direction. You will also sit in Section 7 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle. **DRESS CODE:** This is a formal academic occasion and should be viewed as such in dress

and demeanor. The academic robe is black and the recommended dress, therefore, is: **Women:** Black dress shoes (or some other dark color) - no white or other light color. Dress hose, preferably not white or a light color. A dress which does not have a high neckline or stand-up collar. It should not show above the V-neckline on the robe. Since the academic robe has a zipper front closing, the dress will show only near the lower hem and, therefore, preferably should be a dark color, rather than white or very light. No visible jewelry. Sorority pins/ribbons may be worn; these are academic emblems and are not considered jewelry as such. Kente cloths are permissible as well. No flowers on the academic robe, and no flowers are to be carried to the stage. **Men:** Black dress shoes (or some dark color) - no sneakers or light colored sport shoes with thick rubber soles. Dark colored socks - no white athletic socks. Dress slacks, preferably a dark or neutral color. Dress shirt, preferably white or a light color. Dress tie (four-in-hand tie with windsor knot). (Shirt collar and tie will show above the V-neckline of the academic robe.) Suit coat or sport coat will not be seen under the robe and is, therefore, optional. No visible jewelry. Fraternity pins/ribbons may be worn; these are academic emblems and are not considered jewelry as such. Kente cloths are permissible as well. **Both:** The mortarboard (academic hat) is to be worn with the front point over the forehead below the front hairline, and so the flat board is parallel to the floor. (Not worn on the back of the head

with the board pointing upward.) **NO DECORATION OF ANY KIND IS TO BE PLACED ON THE MORTARBOARD.** Honors students will have a gold and white hood. It is to be worn with the gold side out and the white inner lining turned out at the top, over the gold (like a collar). Gold cords would be worn under the honors hood. Candidates for the bachelor's degree should come into the auditorium with the tassel on the right, hanging near the right eye. After the degrees are conferred, the tassel is shifted to the left side. The signal for shifting the tassel will be given by the President (and/or your faculty marshal). Candidates for the master's degree should place tassel at the left front of the mortarboard prior to entering the auditorium and should not shift it. Master's degree candidates will wear the robe but will carry the hood over the left arm until they reach the stage, where it will be placed on the candidate who should face the audience and bend down a little. Faculty marshals will give you more specific information. Graduates will receive graduation picture information from Chappell Studio, Inc. This information will arrive at your permanent address in the near future. Candidates should not chew gum or tobacco. Graduation Decorum: Graduation ceremonies are, by their very nature, festive occasions. The festivity manifests itself in many ways including the dress of the students and faculty adorned in academic regalia and the warmth, joy and satisfaction of accomplishment. The

ceremonies are also marked by seriousness where the actual conferring of degrees signifies long, hard work on the part of everyone involved: students, faculty, administrators, parents and spouses. As a consequence of the serious nature of the ceremony, students are expected to maintain a measure of decorum consonant with the occasion. Applause and other recognition of the conferring degrees should be limited to a joint effort at the conclusion of each graduation group, (e.g., B.S., B.A., etc.).

Library Hours
FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE: Tuesday, Dec. 12 - Thursday, Dec. 14: 7:45 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.; Friday, Dec. 15: 7:45 a.m. - 12 midnight; Saturday, Dec. 16: 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 17: 12 noon - 2:00 a.m.; Monday, Dec. 18: 7:45 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.; Tuesday, Dec. 19 7:45 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 20 - Friday Dec. 22: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 23 - Mon. Jan. 1, 1996: CLOSED.
WINTER TERM SCHEDULE (January 2 - 26): Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.; Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 27 - Sunday, Jan. 28: CLOSED.
Monday, Jan. 29: Begin Regular Spring Schedule.

London Trip
During summer 1996, students and other interested individuals will again have the opportunity to travel through Britain with SSU history faculty member Wayne Ackerson. Ackerson's trips have proven very popular in

the past. Some of the noteworthy places to be visited include Salisbury (England), York, several sites in Wales and several nights in London. "All of the sites and cities to be visited have their own special charm," said Ackerson, "and there is certainly something for everyone along the way." The cost of the trip, exclusive of tuition, is approximately \$1,800, including airfare, all transportation, admission costs, and nearly all of the meals. Added Ackerson, "It is virtually impossible to do the same amount of sightseeing and studying of sites for this cost on any other trip." The trip is scheduled to leave Salisbury in May. For more details, contact Ackerson in the History Department at (410) 543-6527.

Psychology Club/Psi Chi
We would like to thank everyone who helped out this semester. Thank you for your participation and interest. We would also like to thank those who contributed to the Thanksgiving food drive and those who donated money for the children we adopted for Christmas. We had a great semester and we are looking forward to seeing you again next semester. Have a great break!

P.R.O.U.D.
The executive staff would like to thank all who turned out for the P.R.O.U.D. end-of-the-year blow-out.

Evergreen Yearbook
1995 Evergreen Yearbooks are still available for \$25. Call 87748 with any questions. Happy Holidays!

ΣΦΕ

Sigma Phi Epsilon

As Jim said, "This is the end, beautiful friend." The semester is done and finals are here. Good luck to everyone on your finals; have a great break and be safe, 'cause we want you all to come back.

Thanks to everyone who made this semester a blast, as it definitely went by fast. Thanks to Phi Mu and ZTA for the great socials these past two weekends. Congratulations to Phi Beta Sigma and Delta Gamma for their return and official recognition, respectively. Also congrats to the new office for next semester. Everybody, have a phat break, and we'll see you next year.

TKE

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Huge congrats to our 6 new guys Harry "Otter" Norton, Byron "Tampon" Patrick, Matt "Joker" Wells, Mark "Millhouse" Fiormonti, Chris "Yogi" Vaccaro, Rich "Puckster" Waitowiak. Great job brothers you earned it. Congrats also go out to AST and Phi Mu for initiating their new girls. Thanks to ZTA and AST for the socials, everyone had a great time. Until next year SFC.

ΣΑΕ

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

It is time to bid all of our graduating seniors a fond farewell: Shadow (can I DJ), Pig Pen (real world=real shower), Warrior (good luck Shadow), Gerbil (somebody PLEASE hire me), Flip (sob,sob), Casper (maybe) and Stimp (finally). Good luck Gentleman: see ya at Banquet and don't forget to pay your Alumni dues!

Our Adopt a Family is complete, as well as our caroling for the elderly; thanks to all that participated (and especially Carlo - Happy Belated B-Day.)

Lastly get your ski raffle tickets while their hot and good luck on finals...PHI ALPHA!

ZTA

Zeta Tau Alpha

Hey Everyone! Just think, the semester is almost over! We've been trying to keep busy. Last Friday we exchanged gifts at our Christmas Sisterhood. Hope everyone liked their presents. This Friday we'll be caroling with SAE at the Riverside nursing home - touch up on those tunes girls. Don't forget to sell your Greek Council raffle tickets! Hope everyone had a great semester. Good luck on finals and have a happy and safe break! Keep smiling Alpha Rho!

ΦΜ

Phi Mu

Alright all, it is now the end of a great semester. I hope everyone does well on their finals and everyone has a wonderful winter break. Those of you who are still going to be in Salisbury, have fun! Just remember girls we are not only strong, but we have also grown! See you Spring Semester! Buh-Bye!

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Delta Gamma

We have been learning a lot in our Pledge class and in Rush School thanks to Amanda and Laurie. This is the final Flyer for the semester, we hope everyone does well on finals, don't stress!! Congratulations to all December graduates!! Happy Birthday to Michele, Niki, Amy and Jenn. It's been a great semester, thanks for all the support. We hope everyone has a great break and we will see you in '96! A special thanks to Ian, our advisor, who will be leaving us, thanks for all your help, congratulations on your big day, we will miss you!

ΑΣΤ

Alpha Sigma Tau

Congratulations to our new initiates: Stephanie Anderson, Cheryl Ashbryn Tracy Breeding, Lori Destwolinski, Amy Foster, Jessica Huff, Nikki Hurlock, Vanessa Morris, Rebecca Mitch, Kristen Osborn, Sarah Parker, Christina Peck, Nicole Tesser, and Amy Wilkinson. Thanks to the SAE's for our New Years Eve social. Good luck to everyone on exams. Have a great winter break.



Position Available SGA Treasurer/Secretary for Spring 1995

Must have: Basic Accounting Skills
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Interest In Student Organizations

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**The
Flyer
would
like to
wish all
Greeks
a
wonderful
Christmas!**

Crime Beat



12/1 **Theft** - a VCR was reported stolen from an office in Maggs.

11/1 **Disorderly Conduct/Act of Intolerance** - An argument was reported between two non-students and a student. During the argument a racial slur was uttered by one of the non-students. No-trespass letters will be sent.

11/17-12/1 **Theft** - A resident of Choptank hall reported that a bike was stolen from the bike barn.

12/2 **Theft** - Two juveniles were arrested for the theft of a bicycle from the Manokin Bike barn. A witness reported seeing two suspects with a hammer in an apparent attempt to break a lock. The two youths were returned to a relative, pending a hearing by Juvenile Justice

Service.

12/2 **Vandalism** - A resident of Pocomoke Hall was observed by a Public Safety Student Assistant in the act of breaking off the trunk of a small tree near Pocomoke Hall. Administrative action is pending.

12/3 **Act of Intolerance/Disorderly Conduct** - A resident of Dogwood Village was reported to have caused a disturbance and shouted an anti-gay word. Administrative action pending.

12/3 **Alcohol Violation** - Several underage students & non-students were found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages in Choptank Hall. Administrative hearing is pending.

11/29-12/3 **Telephone Misuse** - Residents of a room in Manokin Hall reported receiving two annoying and unwanted phone calls.

12/1-12/2 **Theft** - A Resident of Chester Hall reported that a wallet & contents were reported stolen from an unlocked room that had been left unattended for approx. 10 mins.

12/3 **Vandalism** - The exit sign near Room 325 in St. Martin Hall was reported to have been pulled off of the wall.

12/3 **Theft** - A visitor reported that a motorcycle tag was

stolen from the Chesapeake Lot.

12/5 **Vandalism** - A door alarm sensor was damaged on a door in Dogwood Village.

12/5 **Theft** - A radar detector was reported stolen from a vehicle while parked in the Caruthers Lot.

12/5 **Trespass** - A student who had been barred from visiting Chester Hall was found to be in the building. Administrative action is pending.

125-12/6 **Theft** - A resident of Dogwood village had a wallet recovered in Dogwood Village. The cash had been removed from the wallet.

12/6 **Vandalism** - The wire mesh was kicked out of the rail outside of the 2C Cluster of Chesapeake Hall.

12/5 **Theft** - A jacket was inadvertently left unattended near a garage at the International House I and was reported stolen.

12/6 **Theft** - a jacket was reported stolen from an unlocked locker in the men's room of Maggs Gym. The jacket, maroon in color, has the following written on it: Salisbury State University Athletic Training on the front and Athletic Training across the back.

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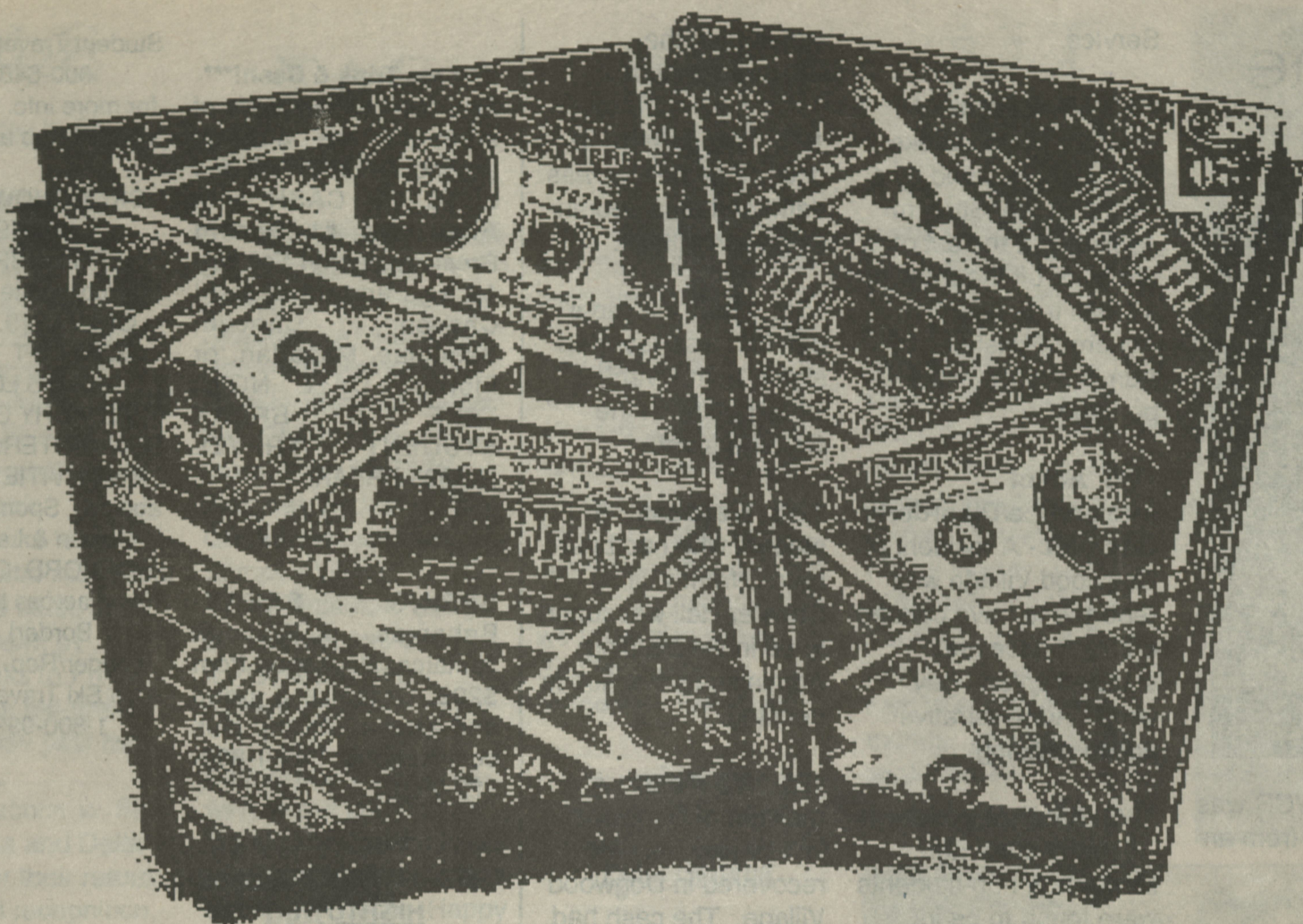
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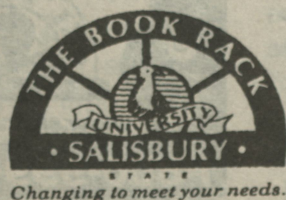
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